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Dear Chair Calley and Members of the Local Government and Municipal Finance Committee,

My name is Lori Tuma and I am with Contractors Equipment & Supply, Inc. d/b/a Paw Paw Rentals. We have (1) location in Michigan and employ (8) full-time and (5) part-time people in the State of Michigan. Our facility is located in Paw Paw, Michigan.

I am emailing you today to <u>urge your support</u> in passing HB 4833 and 4834, which will be heard in your Committee on June 9, 2021.

We are a member of the Michigan Heavy Equipment Rental Tax Coalition and the American Rental Association, which represent large and small equipment rental businesses throughout the State. We purchase and then rent construction and other heavy equipment to contractors, construction companies, businesses, and individuals. This legislation follows what other states have done, including Indiana, by exempting rental equipment from property tax and replacing it with a new tax to ensure revenue neutrality.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Lori Tuma Contractors Equipment & Supply, Inc. d/b/a Paw Paw Rentals